

THE WATER GAP TIMES

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BOROUGH INFORMATION

Walter T. Conway, Mayor

Council Members:

Wayne MacWilliams, Council President

William Buzzard, Council Vice President

Elvi DeLotto

Susan Wilson

Philip Farber, III

George Munn

John Shoemaker

Council Meetings: 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. All Welcome!

Municipal Authority Members:

James Reynolds, Chairman

Roxanne Kaiser-Antonowich, Vice Chairman

Martin Wilson, Secretary

Frank Davis, Treasurer

Brandon Reish, Member

Municipal Authority Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. All Welcome!

Borough Office: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(570) 476-~0331 Fax 570-476-0380~ website: dwgpa.gov ~email dwgboro@ptd.net

Office Secretary/Treasurer Ileana Hernandez

Superintendent Robert Gallagher

Municipal Sewer Authority: Monday~Thursday 9:00 a.m.~ 1:00 p.m. (570) 424~0433

Office Secretary Noreen Purcell

DWG Police Department: Hours Vary Monthly (570) 476~4674

For complaints or anything other than an emergency please call

Mayor Walt Conway at 570~421~6664

PA State Police: (570) 839-7701

Emergencies Only 911



BEST WISHES TO DELAWARE WATER GAP

POLICE CHIEF JOHN MAY

WHO WILL RETIRE THIS YEAR.

CHIEF MAY, WE WISH YOU WELL AND
HOPE THAT YOU MAY ENJOY ALL THE
THINGS YOU HAVE BEEN WANTING TO DO!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE TO OUR RESIDENTS

HAPPY NEW YEAR! HAPPY WINTER!

It's the time of the year when most of us start to look back at the past year to evaluate and set goals for the next. Plan on participating and keeping informed on what's happening in your Borough. Take a walk after a fresh snow and enjoy the various species of winter birds; snowshoe on one of our many scenic trails, plan for a romantic Valentine Day brunch/dinner at one of our delightful restaurants and attend Borough meetings. Visit our website at dwgpa.gov for updates.



Village Study

Council was quite honestly amazed by the excitement and participation at the visioning meeting held on November 13, 2012. The fact that these individuals gave an evening to invest in the future of the Borough is greatly appreciated and encouraging. Over thirty residents and non-residents attended in addition to five Council members and the Village Study Steering Committee. Below is an excerpt from the draft study:

Participation

At the onset of this project a group of proactive community residents, representing a diversified contingent of the Borough, volunteered to be a part of the Village Study Steering Committee. Committee members include representatives from the Borough Council, the Planning Commission, the area Chamber of Commerce, residents involved with historic preservation and open space, and the County. To demonstrate their commitment to this process the steering committee adopted the following Mission Statement:

"The steering committee, as representatives of the local governing body, area residents and business owners, is tasked with providing a community perspective throughout this study process. The steering committee will ensure the study focuses on the improvement of the quality of life for Delaware Water Gap residents by encouraging the revitalization of the Borough and promoting a sense of personal investment by local residents in to their community."

In addition to providing continual input throughout this project, the steering committee was integral in reaching out to Borough residents and bringing people out to a Community Visioning Session, which was held at the Church on the Mountain on November 13, 2012. Approximately 30 people, excluding Borough Council members and steering committee members, participated by breaking up into groups and providing answers to a series of questions. The questions were as follows:

- Currently, what do you like most about Delaware Water Gap Borough?
- Currently, what do you like least about Delaware Water Gap Borough?
- What would you want to preserve/maintain in/about Delaware Water Gap Borough for the future?
- What would you want to change about/in Delaware Water Gap Borough for the future?

For the complete results of the Visioning Session please visit our website at dwgpa.gov or call the office





**WELCOME
BIENVENIDO
BIENVENUE**



Welcome to Nyrah Richards and Sylvestre Leon, even though they are not newcomers to the many who visit them at the Zen Safari in the Castle Inn. Nyrah and Sylvestre have invested in our Borough by moving in and opening Zen Fusion Fine Dining & Brunch at 14 Main Street. They will be offering dinner and weekend brunch. For more information visit them at www.zensafari.com or like them on Facebook at facebook.com/zensafaricafe.

Local resident and attorney, Brandon R. Reish, Esq., LLC has opened a law office at 20 Delaware Avenue, Suites 303 and 303A in the historic Castle Inn. We wish him continued success in his new location.

Welcome and best wishes to Don Sternecker who has opened a recording studio and office at 20 Delaware Avenue in the historic Castle Inn.



Please support our local businesses that are investing in our Borough.

WINTER ADVISORY

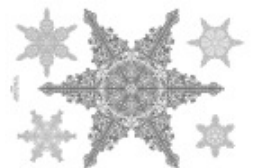
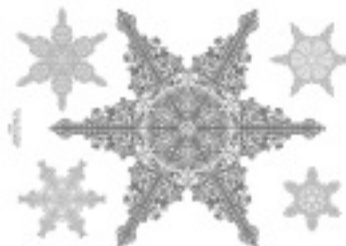
When the Borough declares a "Snow Emergency" NO PARKING is permitted on any Borough Streets. Vehicles parked in violation will be cited for an ordinance violation and will be towed at the vehicles owner's expense.

Main Street & Shepard Avenue are emergency routes and are marked accordingly. All vehicles must be removed immediately during inclement weather, otherwise they will be towed at owner's expense. Even if you are not located along this route, we ask that you remove your vehicle from the roadway, so snow removal may be done at its highest efficiency.



RECYCLING NEWS

Starting January 1, 2013 Waste Management will not pick up televisions, computers, or any other electronics. Please contact Monroe County Municipal Waste Authority~(570) 643-6100 or email support@thewasteauthority.com for their schedule of Electronic Recycling Days.





Comments are welcome. If you wish to contribute to the newsletter please call the borough office or e-mail your ideas and suggestions to dwgboro@ptd.net



Please notify the office if you had any damage from the Met-Ed September 25, 2012 power surge. We encourage you to file a formal complaint to the Public Utility Commission. The link is PUC Informal Complaint Form. The more individuals file the better it will be. Please let the office know if you do.



If you prefer to have this newsletter emailed please send me your information via email at dwgboro@ptd.net, along with any other questions or suggestions you may have. Remember to get your information first and for update minutes visit our website at dwgpa.gov.

